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1. Contract Title:

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2. Technical Objectives:

The principal objective of this project is to develop a calibrated simulation model which can accurately predict the effects on overall phased array system performance when conventional subsystems are replaced with optically assisted subsystems.

3. Approach:

The approach thus far has been to incorporate time efficient computer aided design (CAD) tools to model the entire system performance of an optically assisted phased array system. The CAD simulator will consist of three levels of phased array system analysis; a system level consisting of functional blocks, an equivalent circuit level for each of the system blocks, and a component level. Our approach has been to integrate existing phenomenological models of the separate system blocks into a computer friendly environment which can then perform an accurate overall optically assisted system performance.

4. Accomplishments:

Various components of single side band (SSB) modulator have been designed and fabricated. The designs used for this task employed a commercially available microwave design software (MDS) developed by Hewlett Packard for the microwave components, while the optical modulators are fabricated using the annealed proton exchange technique. Fabrication conditions have been experimentally determined for the prediction of single mode regimes. This is important since the single mode regime is necessary for the optical modulator to be successful. It was found that MDS was not sufficient for the prediction of actual device performance.

5. Significance:

This structure was one of the most complex microwave structures on LiNbO_3 to date. The design of this structure requires a complexity well beyond a simple

overlap integral. Therefore a real mixture of optical CAD with microwave design can be implemented.

6. Future Efforts:

- 1) Future work includes describing some anomalous resonances that we saw in the LiNbO_3 single sideband structure. Also, we will use electrooptic sampling and slot mode analysis on these structures.
- 2) Work has begun on an 'active' front end laser driver building on the work of Kuang Ki Chen entailing addressing active nonlinear structures. This requires dynamical modeling.

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